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SUBJECT: SWEDEN DECLINES TO RECOGNIZE GUINEA-BISSAU GOVERNMENT

1. FOREIGN MINISTER SVEN ANDERSSON REPLIED IN RIKSDAG
DECEMBER 10 TO COMMUNIST INTERPELLATION ON GOS ATTITUDE
TOWARD RECOGNITION OF GUINEA-BISSAU GOVERNMENT AND TOWARD
SWEDISH INVESTMENT IN PORTUGAL AND PORTUGUESE AFRICA.

2. ON RECOGNITION ANDERSSON SAID: "SWEDEN WILL RECOGNIZE
THE NEW STATES (GUINEA-BISSAU) AS SOON AS IT BECOMES
APPARENT TO US THAT CONDITIONS IN GUINEA-BISSAU ARE SUCH
THAT WE, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT OUR KNOWN PRINCIPLES, CAN TAKE
THAT STEP. WE ARE AGREED WITH OUR NORDIC NEIGHBORS TO MAIN-
TAIN STEADY CONTACT ON THE RECOGNITION QUESTION. AN ACTIVE
STUDY OF THE PROBLEM'S DIFFERENT ASPECTS GOES FORWARD IN
THE RESPECTIVE FOREIGN MINISTRIES. THE PURPOSE IS TO
AVOID UNNECESSARY DELAY IN THE TAKING OF A POLICY DECISION."

3. PRINCIPLES ANDERSSON REFERRED TO ARE GOS RECOGNITION
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DOCTRINE WHICH REQUIRES CANDIDATE GOVERNMENT TO CONTROL

SUBSTANTIAL PART OF THE COUNTRY AND TO EXERCISE ADMINISTRATIVE CONTROL OVER MAJORITY OF POPULATION.

4. ON SWEDISH INDUSTRIAL INVESTMENTS IN PORTUGAL AND PORTUGUESE AFRICA, ANDERSSON SAID: "SWEDISH INVESTMENTS IN PORTUGAL'S COLONIES ARE NOT DESIRABLE IN VIEW OF WAY IN WHICH PORTUGUESE COLONIAL FORCE IS APPLIED. ASTERISKS AN INQUIRY IS UNDER WAY NOW ON POSSIBILITIES OF IMPEDING SWEDISH INVESTMENTS IN PORTUGUESE COLONIES." ON INVESTMENT IN PORTUGAL ITSELF, ANDERSSON REAFFIRMED EARLIER GOS STATEMENTS THAT SWEDISH INVESTMENT IN PORTUGAL WERE UNDESIRABLE. "IT CANNOT BE REGARDED AS A TASK FOR SWEDISH AUTHORITIES TO SUPPORT SUCH INVESTMENT," HE SAID.
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